## League of United Latin American Citizens





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Alicia Matthews Director, Cable Division Department of Telecommunications and Energy One South Station Boston, MA 02110

## Dear Director Matthews:

I am writing on behalf of the League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC) in support of a petition that Verizon has submitted to the Department of Telecommunications and Energy (DTE) that would establish a shorter and more predictable timeline for the competitive cable franchise process.

LULAC is supporting this reform because we believe that if adopted, there will be more options for cable TV and broadband internet service, which will lead to more enhanced offerings, better service and lower prices. Verizon's new video service, as well as its voice and Internet services will be offered over the most advanced fiber-optic network in the country.

One of LULAC's goals is to ensure that all Americans have access to the latest in technology infrastructure investments. As a result of this new technology, the Latino community will have increased access to educational and economic benefits that will help enrich lives.

Verizon has invested millions of dollars in Massachusetts to help ensure that Massachusetts is a leader in technology. I am asking that LULAC be recorded in favor CTV 06-01 to help all citizens to receive the benefits of competition.

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Laura Medrano, National VP for the Northeast

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